

## STANLEY KETCHELL IS SHOT TO DEATH

Pugilistic Victim of Jack Johnson is Killed on Ranch in Missouri.

## TROUBLE SUPPOSED TO START OVER A WOMAN

Middleweight Champion Prize Fighter of the World Loses His Life at Hands of a Laborer on the Farm of a Friend Near Springfield—Officers and Bloodhounds After the Slayer.

(By Associated Press.)  
SPRINGFIELD, MO., Oct. 15.—Stanley Ketchell, champion middleweight pugilist of the world, died here tonight at 7:05 o'clock as the result of being shot early today by Walter A. Hurtz, a ranch hand.

The shooting took place on the ranch of R. P. Dickerson, a friend of Ketchell, near Conway, forty miles east of here. An hour before he died Ketchell regained consciousness. There was then thought to be a slight chance for his recovery. His condition soon took a decided change for the worse, however, and the end came quickly.

The pugilist died in the Springfield hospital, where he had been rushed after removing from Conway on a special train, chartered by Mr. Dickerson. Three physicians were on the special. An operation was performed on Ketchell at the ranch house in an attempt to locate the bullet. It was not found.

Out in the wooded hills east of here, Hurtz, Ketchell's slayer, heavily armed, is flying before a pack of bloodhounds and a posse of officers and citizens. Dickerson has placed a price of \$5,000 on his capture, dead or alive.

He will be fired upon at sight.

Shot at Breakfast Table.  
After shooting Ketchell, who was at a breakfast table, Hurtz rushed from the house into the yard. He there faltered a moment, turned and went back into the room where Ketchell lay upon the floor. Reaching into Ketchell's pocket, he removed the pugilist's 28-calibre revolver and struck him over the head with it. Then he ran from the house.

"Ketchell can't tell me how to run my business," shouted Hurtz to C. E. Bailey, foreman of the ranch, as he ran across the yard and away from the house. Hurtz is said to have told Mrs. Goldie Smith that he would meet her here tonight. Officers brought her here and questioned her, hoping to get a trace of Hurtz. She revealed nothing as to his probable whereabouts. Investigation of Hurtz's belongings has led officers to believe his real name is Walter Duple and that he is from Webb City, Mo. He has been at the Dickinson ranch since last Wednesday, and but few knew anything about him.

The trouble between Ketchell and Hurtz is said to have started when the pugilist upbraided the ranch hand for beating a horse. This angered Hurtz. The incident took place yesterday.

Mrs. Smith, in a statement tonight, assigned another cause for the shooting.

Woman Makes Statement.

"While I was working in the house yesterday," she said, "Ketchell insulted me. I became angry. He was greatly wrought up over the incident, but pleaded with me not to say anything to Hurtz about our conversation. He said he would give me the best team of horses on the farm if I would keep quiet. I made him no promise.

"When Hurtz came home I told him what Ketchell had said to me. He was very angry and I think that was what caused him to kill Ketchell."

Believe Her Story.

Officers believe Mrs. Smith's story, although they think this was not the only reason for the feeling between the men.

In telling her story Mrs. Smith admitted that Hurtz had promised to meet her tonight. She took several policemen and county officials to the appointed meeting place to await the arrival of the slayer.

Mrs. Smith says she is a daughter of Andrew Bright, a Christian county, Mo., farmer. She says she met Hurtz about a month ago.

Receipts in Mrs. Smith's purse show that she recently bought some merchandise in Coffeyville, Kan. She conducted a rooming house there.

Orders His Hands Up.

Ketchell had just come down to the ranch, which adjoins one he recently purchased, to spend a few days. Hurtz thought Ketchell was going beyond

the province of a visitor to take him to task for his abuse of the animal. Suddenly Hurtz came through the door, with a rifle in his hands, and said to Ketchell: "Throw up your hands."

Ketchell, not realizing the seriousness of the situation, smiled and started to rise and walk toward Hurtz. Before he turned completely around, Hurtz fired. The ball entered Ketchell's body below the right shoulder, coursed upward and entered the lung. Ketchell fell to the floor. The nearest physician was at Conway. It was forty-five minutes before he arrived.

It was hours before the train arrived from here. By that time Ketchell was in a serious condition. It was not long after the shooting until Ketchell lapsed into unconsciousness. Before he lost control of his faculties, though, he was able to say that Hurtz had shot him.

Just Regaining Strength.

For more than a month Ketchell had been a visitor here. Weakened by the fast life he had led since his defeat by Jack Johnson, the fighter came here from New York to recuperate. He was thin and pale when he arrived, but long days in the country and nights of wholesome sleep seemed to put new life in his veins. He bade fair to "come back" and resume his place at the top of the middleweight division. It was his greatest desire to take on weight enough to be able to meet Jack Johnson and retrieve his former defeat at the hands of the powerful colored man. And he thought he would be able to do it. His friends were surprised at the sudden improvement in his condition.

The dead pugilist's real name was Stanislaus Klecal. He was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., September 14, 1887, and was therefore but little more than 23 years old. His parents are living in Michigan, where he had bought property for them.

Two Injured in Wreck.

ROANOKE, Oct. 15.—While helper engine 837, in charge of Engineer T. B. Pond, was backing from a siding at Glenvar this morning helper engine 823, in charge of Engineer William Dyerly, collided with it. The cabs of both engines were destroyed. Dyerly's right arm was cut off at the shoulder. Pond was severely but not fatally scalded.

Ordered to the Franklin.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Paymaster H. A. Wise, Jr., has been ordered to the Franklin, navy yard, Norfolk, for duty.

## SENATOR DOLLIVER DEAD

Iowa Lawmaker Dies While Being Treated.

## PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY

Member of Upper Branch of Congress Expires While Being Rubbed by an Osteopath—Doctor Hears His Last Heartbeat.

(By Associated Press.)

FORT DODGE, IA., Oct. 15.—United States Senator Jonathan Prentiss Dolliver died of dilation of the heart, caused by an attack of acute indigestion, at his residence at 7:30 tonight, while being rubbed by an osteopath. Senator Dolliver's death was unexpected by his relatives and close friends, who thought that he had almost entirely recovered from the attack of acute indigestion with which he had been suffering for a week.

End Comes Suddenly.

Senator Dolliver had been up all day and had made a trip from his residence down town. He told several of the men whom he met he had completely recovered from the indisposition which followed his trip through Wisconsin on a speech making tour for Senator LaFollette. While working over Senator Dolliver, the osteopath physician was using an instrument to listen to the senator's heart action. The physician discovered that he was no longer hearing the heart beats. He at first thought that his instrument was faulty. An investigation revealed that his patient was dead.

Born in West Virginia.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Twice in the limelight as a strong vice-presidential possibility and in the front rank throughout his entire career in congress as an authority on tariff and railroad rate legislation, Senator Dolliver was one of the strong figures in public life. As an orator, both in the halls of congress and on the lecture platform, he never failed to charm his audiences with his eloquence, incomparable stories, of which he had an inexhaustible fund, and with his homely similes.

Senator Dolliver was born near Kingswood, Preston county, Va. (now West Virginia), February 6, 1858.

## FRAUD DISCOVERED IN CENSUS TAKING

Investigation by the Bureau Reveals Heavy Padding in Many Western Cities

## PRESIDENT TAFT ORDERS VIGOROUS PROSECUTION

Second Enumeration is Made at Tacoma, Wash., and Shows That City Reported 33,296 Too Many—Scheme by Which Many Were Added Is Made in Return to Washington.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—Staggered by the enormous growth shown by the return of the new census for a number of Western cities, Director Durand, of the census bureau, ordered an investigation, the result of which appeared in the announcement tonight that gross frauds had been perpetrated. Mr. Durand gave out also a letter from President Taft directing that persons implicated in the alleged frauds should be punished.

Cities specifically mentioned as being affected by the frauds are Tacoma, Seattle and Aberdeen, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Boise, Idaho, and Fort Smith, Ark., but it is stated that there are many others.

Tacoma Padded 33,296.

The result of a second enumeration for Tacoma, Wash., was announced. The city shows a population of 82,972, an increase of 45,250, or 129 per cent. over the population of 1900. The first figures turned in for Tacoma were 116,268. In other words, the actual population was padded to the extent of 33,296, which would have meant a further addition of 40 per cent. These additions were made in 34 out of 73 enumeration districts in Tacoma. In some of these districts the number reported proved to be several times greater than the actual population. In ten days there the first enumeration showed 29,753 names, whereas the correct number was found to be 11,415.

Director Durand's statement consisted of a copy of a letter from himself, addressed to Secretary Nagle, of the department of commerce and labor, dated October 8, in which the whole case is presented.

The President's letter, three days later, addressed to Secretary Nagle, reads:

President's Letter.

"I have read Durand's letter and agree with him that it ought to be published. The cases of all those who appear to have violated the law should be investigated by the grand jury and if sufficient evidence is found to justify it, they should be indicted and prosecuted at once. Nothing will so induce accuracy as to securing of the census as the prosecution of those who attempt a fraud upon the law. I am led to believe that the present census has been much freer from frauds than any previous census, but the instances cited by Mr. Durand require the utmost vigilance to bring those who have violated the law to justice and proper punishment.

The Scheme Worked.

Director Durand's letter sets forth that attempted "padding" was brought about mainly through the use of slips printed by private individuals and containing the census questions. These were distributed very generally in street corners and elsewhere and were filled out by thousands of people who either had already been enumerated or were not permanent residents of the city and not entitled to enumeration. It is possible, some of the cases were wholly fictitious. These slips were turned in by the individuals who collected them through Special Agent Stacey M. Cowin to thirty-four of the enumerators, and they, under the instructions of Cowin, added the names to the enumerating by designating as "boarders" and "lodgers," the various houses in the district.

In the words "directory states," the enumerators deliberately made the false statement that these persons were residents at this or that particular street number, some of which were vacant lots, although the enumerators knew nothing, whatever, with regard to the names so fraudulently added.

Subjects for Bank Bonds.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—Presidents Washington, Lincoln and Cleveland have been chosen as the subjects of the portraits for the first postal savings bank bonds—the \$20, \$100 and \$500 respectively. This decision has been reached by Acting Secretary of the Treasury Apollon. The bonds will be ready for the public as soon as the postal savings scheme is put into operation.

## PAINTER IS CRUSHED TO DEATH IN ELEVATOR

Richmond Man is Killed by Accident in Apartment Building.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 15.—While attempting to climb into the freight compartment of an elevator in the new Gresham Court apartment building, Ryland and Franklin streets, Daniel Perry, a painter, 35 years old, was crushed to death this morning when the lift suddenly shot upwards. James Carter, a colored porter, who was operating the elevator from the passenger compartment, declared he had no knowledge that Perry was trying to enter the car. The painter sounded no warning to the operator above him and Coroner Taylor decided Perry was a victim of his own carelessness.

The first intimation that Carter received of something wrong came when the elevator suddenly halted on its flight upward from the first floor. A moment later Perry's agonized screams for help rang out through the building and the negro, who was fumbling with the mechanism, quickly shut off power.

Perry's body had become tightly wedged between the basement floor and the first floor of the building. When several workmen rushed downstairs to their companion's assistance the man was still alive and feebly moaning: "Please do something for me."

Before part of the plastering and pieces of the woodwork around the elevator shaft could be torn away to permit the removal of Perry's body he had expired.

## PASSENGERS HURLED DOWN EMBANKMENT

Many Persons are Injured in Wreck on B. & O. Near Winchester.

(By Associated Press.)

WINCHESTER, Va., Oct. 15.—Eight people were seriously injured, several of them fatally, and many sustained minor injuries as the result of southbound passenger train No. 1, on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, jumping down a forty-foot embankment near Oppaque bridge, eight miles north of Winchester tonight.

The train was running forty-eight miles an hour. Two coaches, filled with passengers from Baltimore and Washington, went down the embankment. The coaches rolled over and over with the passengers, many of whom were women, were thrown about in great confusion.

Spreading rails are said to have caused the wreck.

A relief train bearing the injured reached Winchester at 9 o'clock tonight.

## FULL RETURNS GIVE HOLLAND STRONG LEAD

Suffolk Candidate Has 80 Out of 167 Delegates for Congressional Convention in Suffolk.

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, VA., Oct. 15.—With all returns complete from yesterday's primary for the Democratic Second district congressional nomination, E. E. Holland, of Suffolk, is shown to have developed strength sufficient to control the appointment of 80 of the 167 delegates that will compose the coming convention to be held at Suffolk on Monday next.

The combined opposition to Holland will have 87 votes, with 84 necessary to the choice of a nominee. William A. Young, of Norfolk, will have 63 delegates; Congressman Harry L. Maynard, of Portsmouth, 17; and Joseph T. Deal, of Norfolk, 7.

MUST BE UNIFORM.

Order is Issued Regulating Safety Appliances for Railroad Cars.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—Uniform standards for the equipment of railroad cars and locomotives, with safety appliances were prescribed today by an order issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission. This order is the result of a long continued agitation for uniformity in the equipment of cars. All appliances required by the order are used except additional ladders required on certain classes of cars and two additional sill steps are required on all cars. The change which will be brought about by the new order will compel all cars to be equipped alike and the commission can enforce the desired uniformity.

Washington's Nephew Dead.

STAUNTON, VA., Oct. 15.—Word comes here from Charleston, W. Va., that Richard B. Washington, related here and in other parts of the state, died last night. He was a great nephew of Gen. George Washington and was nearly 80 years of age. He leaves one son, John A. Washington.

## TAFT TO HELP OUT COLONEL IN FIGHT

President Will go to Rescue of Roosevelt in the New York Struggle.

## DOESN'T RELIEVE TEDDY WILL OPPOSE HIM IN 1912

Chief Executive Simply Laughs Away the Suggestions That the Rough Rider Will Give Him a Race for the White House for Second Term—Others Don't Share in View.

(By Associated Press.)

BEVERLY, MASS., Oct. 15.—President Taft is going to do all he can to help Colonel Theodore Roosevelt win victory for the Republican state ticket in New York. This fact was evidenced here tonight when it became known that the President will ask two or three members of his cabinet to go to New York and assist in the campaign there.

Mr. Taft, it is said, takes absolutely no stock in the stories that have been widely circulated that Colonel Roosevelt will oppose him as a candidate in 1912. The matter has been brought to his attention by a number of callers during the summer, but the President has laughed away the suggestions. Others, close to the administration, do not share the President's view.

Presumably, President Taft is not taking an active part in the campaign. It is asserted in Beverly, that President Taft's influence, which includes the federal office holders, practically saved the day for Colonel Roosevelt at Saratoga. Now the President is once more coming to the rescue by the authorized announcements that he does not consider votes for Stimson as meaning votes for Colonel Roosevelt in 1912. Whatever Mr. Taft's ambitions are and whatever motives his advisers attribute to Colonel Roosevelt, he is not going to allow any of these issues to endanger Republican success in New York state if he can help it.

## TYRUS COBB BECOMES CHAMPION BALL BATTER

President Johnson Announces His Decision and Detroit Player is Awarded Automobile.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—Tyrus Cobb, by official verdict of President Johnson, today, was the leading batsman of the American League during the last season, with a winning percentage over Larry Lajoie, of Cleveland, of .099.860. As the National League's dropped out of the batting contest some time ago, President Johnson announces that Cobb is the champion hitter of the country.

The automobile, over which trophy there has been so much excitement and not a little criticism, goes to the Detroit champion, but the Cleveland champion, by permission of Mr. Johnson, will be allowed to accept a duplicate.

Third Baseman Corbiden, of St. Louis is vindicated in the statement, and Umpire Evans is quoted as saying that no only was Lajoie's eight hit-all legitimate, but that he really should have been credited with nine.

Mr. Johnson stated that he has requested President Hedges, of the St. Louis club, to probe further the charge that some one connected with his club attempted to influence the official scorers.

BOTH CANDIDATES TO RUN.

Decision of Republican Committee on Seventh District Muddle.

ROANOKE, VA., Oct. 15.—At an all night session of the Republican state committee, in which there was a lengthy discussion of the merits of the contest in the Seventh district between Capt. John Paul, alleged insurgent, and Hugh S. Lupton, "regular," both candidates for congress, no solution of the matter could be reached.

Both candidates claimed to be the "regular" nominee, and while some of the committee thought it unfair to allow two candidates to run against Congressman Hay for the sake of harmony, it was decided to keep hands off and let the two opposing candidates test their claims to strength at the polls.

They were told to go back home and both run.

## MIDDIES PUNISHED FOR INDULGING IN HAZING

Annapolis Students Are Reduced in Rank and Barred From Football Games.

(By Associated Press.)

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Oct. 15.—Superintendent Bowler, of the naval academy, today announced the punishment imposed upon Midshipmen J. W. Anderson, Howard Bode, Jener Garnett and William O'Brien, for indulging in hazing. All four of the men, who are members of the senior class, are given one hundred demerits and Anderson and Garnett, who were officers of the brigade, are given 25 extra marks and reduced in rank for neglect of duty in not suppressing the hazing in which they participated.

O'Brien, who was manager of the football team, is removed from this position.

In addition to the above punishment, all four of the midshipmen are denied the right to go to the Army-Navy football game and to lose all liberty, being confined to the academy limits until further orders.

## AVIATOR DEFEATS AUTO ON BENNING TRACK

Graham-White Reaches Climax On Third Day of Washington Aviation Meet.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—The third day of Washington's aviation meet, which is being held at Benning's race track, was marked with flights by Claud Graham-White, the English aviator, and Clifford B. Harmon, the New York amateur. Both aviators used a Farman biplane.

The Englishman made five flights and on one occasion reached an altitude of 700 feet. He showed remarkable skill in the handling of his craft and gave a fine exhibition of dipping and gliding to earth. As a climax he demonstrated the speed of an aeroplane when he defeated an automobile in a race around the Benning race course.

Detached From the North Dakota.

(Special to The Daily Press.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Gunner J. Sperle, Jr., and Machinist J. H. McJannet have been detached from duty on the North Dakota and will continue treatment at the naval hospital, Norfolk.

## RAILROADS REST CASE

Last Witness Heard in Freight Rate Fight.

## COMMISSION IS ADJOURNED

Body Will Meet Again November 21 to Hear Testimony to be Offered by the Shippers and Decision is Expected Early in January.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—Upon the conclusion of the testimony of J. C. Stuart, vice-president in charge of operations of the Erie railroad, the railroads today rested their case in the investigation by the Interstate Commerce Commission into the proposed advances of freight rates by the eastern trunk lines.

The hearing was adjourned until November 21, in this city, when the shippers may present their reasons why the rates should not be increased. Counsel for the shippers will put on the stand approximately a score of witnesses.

Chairman Knapp, of the commission, told the attorneys that they will be expected to conclude at the November session and no further continuance could be permitted. The committee thereupon set December 14, as the date for the presentation of final arguments in the case.

The last witness of the railroads, Vice-President Stuart, presented a mass of technical data concerning the operations of the Erie. On cross-examination he declared the large increase in wages, to which the Erie had been subjected, had not promised the slightest increased measure of efficiency in the service.

"This large amount in increased wages has been a dead loss," he said. "We are getting no appreciable return upon the large expenditure."

It is probable that the commission will decide the case before early in January.

Held for Lunacy Commission.

Mrs. Mary Danahy, who lives on Chestnut avenue near Twenty-sixth street, was ordered held for a commission of lunacy by Justice Brown yesterday. She was arrested early yesterday morning by Patrolman Vellines on the charge of lunacy.

## AVIATOR ON FLIGHT ACROSS ATLANTIC

Walter Wellman and Crew of Five Start from Atlantic City for Europe.

## WIRELESS OUTFIT ABOARD; MESSAGES ARE RECEIVED

Most Sensational Event at the Famous Resort When Airship Sails Out Over the Deep Waters—Twenty-seven Foot Life Boat and Provisions Taken for Voyage.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 15.—Sailing in a thick fog that hung low over the Atlantic ocean early today, Walter Wellman, with a crew of five men, is tonight believed to be on an epoch-making voyage to Europe in the huge cigar shaped airship America.

Starting from the beach near the inlet, a few minutes after 8 o'clock a. m., the big craft was soon out of sight of the cheering crowds.

Since then no one, with the possible exception of ships at sea, has seen the strange craft and he only word from her came by means of wireless telegraph.

Numerous messages were received during the day and the latest indicated that Wellman is tonight easily sailing northeastward off the Long Island shore. The ship, according to the last word from him and his adventurous crew, has set a northeasterly lane of trans-Atlantic liners. The men who are making aeronautic history in the first over-ocean flight of an airship, are:

Walter Wellman, commander; Melvin Vaniman, chief engineer, and next in command; F. Murray Simmons, navigator; J. K. Irwin, wireless operator; John Ashurst and Albert Louis Loud, assistant engineers.

Sensational Start.

The start of the America was one of the most dramatic events that has ever occurred at this resort of frequent sensations. Roundly criticized by people who did not believe that he would ever undertake what was thought to be a foolhardy venture, Wellman startled the whole island by bringing the America out of the hangar and without any ceremony, going into the air. It was about 4 a. m. today when the final decision was made by Chief Engineer Vaniman. All night he watched the weather and as the dawn approached, he decided that now was the time. Rousing the other members, Vaniman called Wellman and notified him that the time to start had arrived. Fairly jumping into his khaki uniform, Wellman summoned the members of the family and was soon on the way to the inlet in an automobile. Vaniman was also busy, calling up Mayor Stoy and the chiefs of the fire and police departments, for the 200 men promised to help get the ship out.

Crew Climbs In.

The bag was warped out of the shed, the greatest care being taken not to rip the heavy silken bag. Finally it was out and Simmons, in a boatswain's chair, ascended to the top of the huge bag and released the lashings and then came down. With everything ready for the word, "let go," the crew climbed up and into the car hanging from the balloon. The final "good byes" were said to the last word to the men on the ground was given. The great craft gave a lurch, all the ropes and cables became taut and the ship rose, slowly at first and then more rapidly. It ascended higher and encountered the gentle breeze from the west. On the board walk and beach were assembled a crowd estimated at about 1,000. The crowd stood in awe as the America majestically continued to rise and sail into the thick fog. Then cheer after cheer followed when they saw the car disappear.

First Message from Sea.

Within a few minutes it was gone. Those of the crowd who remembered that the America carried a wireless telegraph outfit, rushed from the board walk to the million dollar pier for news. Robert Miller, the wireless operator stationed there, was early on hand in expectation of a flight and got ready to "pick up" the ship. Miller kept "calling" operator Irwin constantly and it was not until 11:05 that there was any response. Then came this message, the first ever sent from an airship at sea: "Headed northeast. All well on board. Machinery working fine. Good bye. J. Irwin."

After this, messages came frequently and all reported good progress. Among the anxious people that crowded into the little wireless station were Mrs. Wellman and her two daughters and Mrs. Vaniman. All were cool, despite the knowledge of

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